



Easy Beginning Readers

Selected books from early beginning reader series with easy text, repetition, and sight words for readers who are just starting to read on their own or with help.

The Berenstain Bears by Stan & Jan Berenstain:

The bears present easy adjectives and prepositions for beginners with only a few words per page.

- Bears in the Night
- The Berenstain Bears and the Spooky Old Tree
- The Berenstain Bears Ride the Thunderbolt

Beginning Readers B

- Inside, Outside, Upside Down
- Old Hat, New Hat

Board Books

Bob Books:

This series introduces Kindergarten sight words. These are very short and simple books for genuine beginners.

- As Big As
- Frog Sat
- The Jet
- She Did It
- Sun Sets
- Who?

By Lynn Maslen Kertell
Beginning Readers K

Cat the Cat series by Mo Willems:

The books in this series have very few words and lots of repetition to build confidence in reading. This is a great series to start with. 32 pages.

- Cat the Cat, Who Is That?
- Let's Say Hi to Friends Who Fly!
- Time to Sleep, Sheep the Sheep!
- What's Your Sound, Hound the Hound?

Beginning Readers W

Dr. Seuss and Friends:

These early readers feature rhyming text and encourage readers to sound out new words.

The Ear Book – Al Perkins
Beginning Readers P

The Eye Book – Theo LeSieg (Dr. Seuss)

E S or
Beginning Readers S

The Foot Book – Dr. Seuss
E S or
Beginning Readers S

Hop on Pop – Dr. Seuss
Beginning Readers S

Elephant & Piggie Books by Mo Willems:

Best friends Elephant and Piggie have short conversations with lots of repetition. This series is very funny and will keep the reader interested. It is one step up from the author's Cat the Cat series. 57 pages long but with sparse text.

- Are You Ready to Play Outside?
- A Big Guy Took My Ball!
- Elephant Cannot Dance!
- Happy Pig Day!
- I Am Going!
- I Love My New Toy!
- I'm a Frog!
- Let's Go for a Drive!
- Listen To My Trumpet!
- My Friend Is Sad
- Should I Share My Ice Cream?
- Today I Will Fly!
- We Are in a Book!
- Watch Me Throw the Ball!

Beginning Readers W

- I Broke My Trunk!
- There Is a Bird on Your Head!

E W

Gossie & Friends by Olivier Dunrea:

These little goslings have short adventures with a lot of word repetition, and a few new words are introduced in each book. 32 pages.

- BooBoo
- Gossie
- Gossie & Gertie

Beginning Readers D

- Ollie's Easter Eggs

E D Holiday

Jan Thomas:

Thomas' hilarious characters communicate in very short sentences and one word exclamations. The entertaining plots keep reluctant readers interested. 40 pages.

- A Birthday for Cow
- The Doghouse
- Rhyming Dust Bunnies
- What Will Fat Cat Sit on?

E T

Pumpkin Trouble
E T Holiday

My First I Can Read Books:

These books have short sentences and a lot of repetition. 24-32 pages.

- Biscuit's Big Friend
- Biscuit Takes a Walk
- Biscuit Visits the Big City
- Biscuit Wins a Prize

By Alyssa Satin Capucilli
Beginning Readers C

Cat and Dog – Elsa Holmelund Minarik
Beginning Readers M

Chicken Said, "Cluck"! – Judyann Grant
Beginning Readers G

The Day I Had to Play with My Sister – Crosby Bonsall
Beginning Readers B or
E B

Mines the Best – Crosby Bonsall
Beginning Readers B

Mittens – Lola M. Schaefer
Beginning Readers S

Ruby Bakes a Cake – Susan Hill
Beginning Readers H

My First Reader:

This series features very simple sentence structures with one sentence per page. Around 30 pages.

Bath Time – Jane E. Gerver
Beginning Readers G

Good Food – DeMar Regier
Beginning Readers R

Good Night, Little Kitten – Nancy Christensen
Beginning Readers C or
E C

I Can Read – Louise Gikow
Beginning Readers G

I Am Smart – Christine Taylor-Butler
Beginning Readers T

I'm a Princess – Kirsten Hall
Beginning Readers H

I'm Not Scared – Kirsten Hall
Beginning Readers H

My Birthday Cake – Olivia George
Beginning Readers G

My Pumpkin – Julia Noonan
Beginning Readers N

My Trucks – Kirsten Hall
Beginning Readers H

The New Baby – Mary Packard
Beginning Readers P

Nice Wheels – Gwendolyn Hooks
Beginning Readers H

On the Farm – Kirsten Hall
Beginning Readers H

The Tooth Fairy – Kirsten Hall
Beginning Readers H

The Very Bad Day – Mary Packard
Beginning Readers P

Where is Jake? – Mary Packard
Beginning Readers P

A Predictable Word Book:

These books use a pattern of predictable words that will help the reader recognize and read new words. They have just a few words or one sentence per page. Around 20 pages.

- Balloons
- Feelings
- Hats
- The Mouse on the Moon

By Janie Spaht Gill
Beginning Readers G

Step into Reading. Step 1:
This series has favorite characters, slightly more complex sentences and words still appropriate for beginners. 24-32 pages.

Big Friend, Little Friend – Melissa Lagonegro (Disney's Princess and the Frog)
Beginning Readers L

Big Snowman, Little Snowman – Tish Rabe (Disney's Frozen)
Beginning Readers R

The Blue Wish – Mary Tillworth (Maryoku Yummy)
Beginning Readers T

BURN-E the Fix-It Bot – Katie Hammond (WALL-E)
Beginning Readers H

A Cars Christmas – Melissa Lagonegro (Disney's Cars)
E L Holiday

The Close Shave (Thomas the Tank Engine)
Beginning Readers A

Dinosaur Babies – Lucille Recht Penner
Beginning Readers P

Dragon Egg – Mallory Loehr
Beginning Readers L

Ducks Go Vroom – Jane Kohuth
Beginning Readers K

Flip Flop! – Dana Meachen Rau
Beginning Readers R

Flying High – Nick Eliopoulos (DC Super Friends)
Beginning Readers E

Flynn Saves the Day (Thomas the Tank Engine)
Beginning Readers A

Go, go, go! – Melissa Lagonegro (Disney's Cars)
Beginning Readers L

Happy Birthday, Thomas! – W. Awdry (Thomas the Tank Engine)
Beginning Readers A

Happy Birthday, Princess! – Jennifer Weinberg (Disney Princesses)
Beginning Readers W

I Can Be—A Horse Rider – Mary Man-Kong (Barbie)
Beginning Readers M

I Can Be a Pet Vet – Mary Man-Kong (Barbie)
Beginning Readers M

I Can Do It – Sarah Albee (Sesame Street)
Beginning Readers A

I Like Bugs – Margaret Wise Brown
Beginning Readers B

Just Keep Swimming – Melissa Lagonegro (Finding Nemo)
Beginning Readers L

Kingdom of Color – Melissa Lagonegro (Disney's Rapunzel)
Beginning Readers L

The Lion and the Mouse – Gail Herman
Beginning Readers H or E H

Look for the Lorax – Tish Rabe
Beginning Readers R

Race Around the World – Susan Amerikaner (Disney's Cars)
Beginning Readers A

Secret Agent Mater – Melissa Lagonegro (Disney's Cars)
Beginning Readers L

Toy to Toy – Tennant Redbank (Toy Story)
Beginning Readers R

Thomas and Percy and the Dragon (Thomas the Tank Engine)
Beginning Readers C

What Is a Princess? – Jennifer Weinberg (Disney Princesses)
Beginning Readers W

Stone Arch Readers. Level 1:

These readers have just one very short sentence per page and easy-to-read words. 31 pages.

- Brave Fire
- Field Trip for School Bus
- Helpful Tractor
- Let's Paint the Garage
- The Long Train Ride
- Lucky School Bus
- Truck Parade

By Melinda Melton Crow
Beginning Readers C

Tadpoles series:

These short books have one simple sentence per page and a lot of word repetition. At around 20 pages per book this is a great series to read before moving onto longer books on this list.

Ben and the Big Balloon – Sue Graves

Beginning Readers G

Big Cat – Pippa Goodhart

Beginning Readers G

Bill's Bike – Andy Blackford

Beginning Readers B

Dog's New Coat – Margaret Nash

Beginning Readers N

George the Knight – Leon Read

Beginning Readers R

The Hungry Little Monkey –

Andy Blackford

Beginning Readers B

Five Teddy Bears – Anne Adeney

Beginning Readers A

My Auntie Susan – Sheila Bird

Beginning Readers B